IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

TUESDAY, THE TWELFTH DAY OF OCTOBER
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE Dr. JUSTICE G.YETHIRAJULU

WRIT PETITION No. 18644 of 2004

Between:

1 B.Venkataiah S/o Mallaiah,aged 36 years,
Contractor, Hindu, R/o Pongal, Nalgonda District.
2 B.Yellaiah S/o Venkaiah, aged 43 years,
Contractor, Hindu, R/o Pongal, Nalgonda District.
3 V.Iddaiah S/o Gopaiah, aged 45 years,
Contractor, Hindu, R/o Pongal, Nalgonda District.
4. B.Venkataiah, S/o.Bixamaiah, aged 30 years,

Contractor, R/o.Pongal, Nalgonda District

5. G.Jalandhra Reddy S/o Amrutha Reddy,aged 35 years,
Contractor, Hindu, R/o Pongal, Nalgonda District.
6 K.Yellam Raju b S/o Buchaiah, aged 52 years,
Contractor, Hindu, R/o Pongal, Nalgonda District.
7 V.Pandaiah s/oGopaiah, aged 42 years,
Contractor, Hindu, R/o Pongal, Nalgonda District.
8 V.Gopaiah s/o Ramulu, aged 30 years,
Contractor, Hindu, R/o Pongal, Nalgonda District.

..... PETITIONERS

AND

1 The Executive Engineer(R&B) Division, Nalgonda at Nalgonda .
2 The Superintendent Engineer (R&B) Circle, Nalgonda at Nalgonda .
3 The Chief Engineer (R&B) road, Erru Manzil, Hyderabad.
4 The Pay & Accounts Office, G.V.Gudem Nalgonda.

.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to

issue a writ or order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring that the inaction of the respondents for payment/settle the bills of the works (arrangements of barricades and helipads) completed by the petitioners in concerned with the Hon'ble CM of AP. Visit to Nalgonda on 7/03/2002 as bad, arbitrary, unjust and unreasonable and consequently direct the respondent to pay the due bills of the petitioners immediately for their completed works.

Counsel for the Petitioners: MR.P.VENKATESWAR RAO

Counsel for the Respondents: GP FOR ROADS & BUILDINGS

The Court made the following:

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ORDER:

The petitioners are contending that they undertook various works entrusted by the respondents 1 to 3 in the year 2002 and the works were completed by 06.03.2002. The works were said to be entrusted to the petitioners for undertaking minor repairs to the roads for arranging barricades etc., on the eve of the visit of the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh on 07.03.2002. The 2nd respondent addressed a letter to the

3rd respondent on 29.01.2004, reporting that the works entrusted to the petitioners have been completed and the amounts have to be released to them to a tune of

Rs.2,91,600-00.

2. The grievance of the petitioners is that the respondents 1 to 3 so far did not finalise the bills and release the amounts as recommended by the 2nd respondent.

3. Having regard to the above facts and circumstances of the case, the 1st respondent is directed to pass appropriate orders regarding the request of the petitioners to finalise the bills, if any pending with him, as per the terms of agreement, and arrange release of the amount if any payable to the petitioners. If there is any objection regarding the finalisation of the bills, it may be intimated to the petitioners. On release of funds, respondent 1 to 3 are directed to make payment to the petitioners within 2 (two) months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

4. The Writ Petition is, accordingly, disposed of. No order as to costs.

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ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

To:

1. The Executive Engineer (R&B) Division,

Nalgonda at Nalgonda

2. The Superintendent Engineer (R&B) Circle,

Nalgonda at Nalgonda

3. The Chief Engineer (R&B) Roads,

Errum Manzil, Hyderabad

4. The Pay & Accounts Officer, G.V.Gudem,

Nalgonda District

5. Two CCs to the Government Pleader for Roads & Buildings,

High Court Buildings, Hyderabad (OUT)

6. Two CD copies.